

AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 11, 24 and 38, ~~delete~~ claims 16, 18-23, 25-30, 34-37, 39 and 42 and add new claim 43 as indicated in Appendix A submitted herewith according to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 concerning a manner for making claim amendments.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 11, 17, 24, 31-33, 38, 40-41 and 43 are presently pending in the captioned application with claims 1, 11, 24 and 38 currently amended, claims 2-10, 12-16, 18-23, 25-30, 34-37, 39 and 42 cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. New claim 43 has been added and claims 17, 31-33 and 40-41 are as previously pending.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite that the divalent group M^2 of the general formula (1) is magnesium and that anion A is sulfuric acid ion. Claim 1 also now contains the limitations of claim 2 for a single diffraction peak.

Method claim 11 has been amended to be commensurate in scope with the amendments to composition claim 1. In particular, claim 11 now recites that the reactants are not water soluble salts or water soluble salts of a divalent metal but specifically sulfuric